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Mr. Frank R. Marmett Director of Research The Richardson Foundation 128 Kast band Street New York 17, New York

Dear Mr. Barnett:

Tour invitation asking that I attend the fourth annual Matiemal Military-Industrial Conference is sincerely appreciated. I regret, however, that it will be impossible for me personally to attend this important meeting.

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Frank R. Barnett

Dear Mr. Dulles:

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Sincerely.

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